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FM AMEMBASSY BONN

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INFO AMEMBASSY BELGRADE PRIORITY

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TAGS: ETEL, GW, YO

SUBJECT: AFN INTERFERENCE TO RADIO SARAJEVO

REF: A. STATE 43753 B. BELGRADE 834

1. PER PARA 4, REF TEL A EMBASSY INFORMED FRG POSTAL MINISTRY (BPM) OFFICIAL BIERMANN FEBRUARY 28 RE CURRENT STATUS OF RADIO SARAJEVO INTERFERENCE PROBLEM. BIERMANN TOLD US THAT THE FRG EMBASSY BELGRADE REPORTED, AS RECENTLY AS FEBRUARY 10, THAT YUGOSLAV TECHNICIANS WERE APPRECIATIVE OF AFN'S EFFORTS IN REDUCING POWER, ETC. IN THE VIEW OF THESE TECHNICIANS INTERFERENCE FROM AFN WAS PRESENTLY LESS OF A PROBLEM THAN INTERFERENCE CAUSED BY GDR AND SOVIET STATIONS. IN THE BPM'S VIEW THE PROBLEM IS THEREFORE NO LONGER TECHNICAL IN NATURE AND CANNOT BE RESOLVED BY ADDITIONAL AFN ACTION.

2. BIERMANN WAS PERSUADED THAT BELGRADE'S POLITICAL OBJECTIVE IS TO INDUCE AFN TO ABANDON 611 KHZ SO THAT THE FREQUENCY CAN BE USED FOR BROADCASTING TO YUGOSLAV WORKERS IN SOUTHERN GERMANY. BIERMANN CONCLUDED BY SAYING THAT THE GERMAN SIDE IS LOOKING FORWARD TO DISCUSSING THIS MATTER DURING THE MARCH 5 MEETING AND RECOMMENDS THAT NO FURTHER ACTION BE TAKEN UNTIL AFTER US/FRG EX-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PERTS HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO REVIEW THE QUESTION AGAIN IN

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3. WE HAVE DISCUSSED THE QUESTION INFORMALLY WITH AFN
PERSONNEL, BUT IN VIEW OF BIERMANN'S REMARKS ABOVE IT
APPEARS BEST TO LET THE MATTER ALONE UNTIL AFTER THE
MARCH 5 MEETING.
HILLENBRAND

NOTE BY O/CT: REFTTEL A BELIEVED INCORRECT.

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